

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all previously pending claim sets.

- 1 1. (Currently amended) A system for mounting a component to an instrument body  
2 comprising:  
3 an insert ~~locking stud body~~ comprising a plate and an aperture portion and  
4 configured to be coupled to the instrument body; and  
5 a mounting stud comprising a top portion and a threaded lower portion, the  
6 threaded lower portion configured to be positioned in the aperture portion of the insert  
7 ~~locking stud body~~, where the mounting stud ~~holds~~ clamps the component in position  
8 between the top portion of the mounting stud and the plate.
- 1 2. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1 wherein the aperture portion is  
2 threaded to accept the threaded lower portion of the mounting stud.
- 1 3. (Currently amended) The system of claim 1 wherein the insert ~~locking stud body~~  
2 further comprises a bottom portion configured to allow the insert ~~locking stud body~~ to be  
3 disposed within the instrument body.
- 1 4. (Currently amended) The system of claim 3 wherein the bottom portion is threaded,  
2 the threaded bottom portion allowing the insert ~~locking stud body~~ to be adjustably  
3 coupled to the instrument body.
- 1 5. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the component is a combination bridge  
2 and tailpiece of an instrument.
- 1 6. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the component is a bridge of an  
2 instrument.

1 7. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the component is a tailpiece of an  
2 instrument.

1 8. (Cancelled)

1 9. (Currently amended) The system of claim 1 further comprising an adjustment  
2 screw, the adjustment screw configured to be positioned in an adjustment screw hole of the  
3 component to laterally position the component relative to the insert ~~locking stud body~~ and  
4 the mounting stud.

1 10. (Cancelled)

1 11. (Original) The system of claim 1 wherein the plate is square-shaped in order to  
2 accept a wrench.

1 12. (Currently amended) A method for mounting a component having stud apertures to  
2 an instrument body comprising:  
3 positioning the component such that each stud aperture is aligned with a plate of a  
4 ~~locking stud body~~ an insert; and  
5 clamping the component in place between the plate and a mounting stud.

1 13. (Currently amended) The method of claim 12 further comprising coupling the  
2 ~~locking stud body~~ insert having the plate into an aperture of the instrument body.

1 14. (Currently amended) The method of claim 12 wherein the clamping further  
2 comprises fastening the mounting stud into an aperture portion of the ~~locking stud body~~  
3 insert.

1 15. (Currently amended) The method of claim 12 further comprising adjusting the  
2 ~~locking stud body~~ insert relative to the instrument body to adjust the height of the  
3 component relative to the instrument body.

1 16. (Original) The method of claim 12 further comprising laterally adjusting the  
2 component by rotating an adjustment screw into or out of an adjustment screw hole.

1 17. (Currently amended) A method for mounting a component to an instrument body  
2 comprising:  
3 providing a ~~locking stud body~~ an insert having a plate and an aperture portion; and  
4 providing a mounting stud for clamping the component in position between the  
5 plate and the mounting stud.

1 18. (Currently amended) The method of claim 17 wherein the mounting stud comprises  
2 a threaded lower portion, the threaded lower portion configured to be fastened into the  
3 aperture portion of the ~~locking stud body~~ insert.

1 19. (Currently amended) The method of claim 17 wherein the ~~locking stud body~~ insert  
2 ~~further~~ comprises a bottom portion, the bottom portion allowing the ~~locking stud body~~  
3 insert to be adjustably coupled to the instrument body.

1 20. (Currently amended) The method of claim 17 further comprising providing an  
2 ~~insert~~ a grommet configured to be positioned between the instrument body and the insert  
3 ~~locking stud body~~.

1 21. (Currently amended) The system of claim 1 further comprising ~~an insert~~ a grommet  
2 configured to be positioned between the instrument body and the insert ~~locking stud body~~.

1 22. (Currently amended) The method of claim 12 further comprising positioning a  
2 grommet ~~an insert~~ between the instrument body and the insert ~~locking stud body~~.